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For: METHOD FOR MANUFACTURING BACKSIDE-ILLUMINATED OPTICAL  
SENSOR

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Sir:

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Prior to examination on the merits, please amend the above-identified application as follows.